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**SHIPPING.**

**ARRIVALS.**  
March 2, Enry, Spanish str., 222, Bladon, Manila 29th February, General—Remondos & Co.  
March 3, Foonchow, British steamer, 709, J. Thomas, Chinkiang 27th Feb., Rio—Bretter & Swire.  
March 3, Wols, German gunboat, 700, from Canton.  
March 3, Yangtze, British steamer, 782, E. Schultze, from Canton, General—Stearns & Co.  
March 3, Amor, British steamer, 814, Drowes, from Canton, General—Stearns & Co.  
March 3, Har-sun, Chinese steamer, 784, Gibbon, Haiphong 27th February, Pak-hoi 28th; and Hoihow 2nd March, General—G. M. S. N. Co.  
March 3, Hengchow, German steamer, 1120, Johannsen, from Whampoa—Stearns & Co.  
March 3, Gernie Bros, German bark, 402, Traubach, Singapore 12th Jan., Timber—Widell & Co.

**DEPARTURES.**  
March 3, Yortung, British str., for Swatow.  
March 3, Foonchow, British str., for Canton.  
March 3, Acquer Kermans, German str., for Tientsin.  
March 2, Yangtze, French steamer, for Saigon and Marcelline.

**PASSENGERS.**  
ARRIVED.  
For Enry, str., from Manila—1 European and 25 Chinese.  
For Amor, str., from Hongkong, 2—Captain and Mrs. Garside, 2 Saloon, and 178 Chinese, deck.  
DEPARTED.  
For Yangtze, str., for Saigon and Marcelline, 2—Capt. 2 children, and 10 Chinese.  
For Amor, str., for Manila, 1—European and 25 Chinese.  
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**REPORTS.**  
The British steamship *Foonchow* reports left Chinkiang on 27th February at 2 P.M. and has fresh N.E. monsoon and cloudy weather throughout the passage.

**MANILA SHIPPING.**  
February—  
1. Salvador, Spanish str., from Singapore.  
2. Fly, British gunboat, from Sandakan.  
3. W. de Rivas, Span. brig, from Hongkong.  
4. Glimmas, British bark, from Hongkong.  
5. Eusebio, British str., from Amoy, 20.  
6. Enry, Spanish steamer, from Amoy, 20.  
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**SINGAPORE SHIPPING.**  
February—  
1. Pany, Spanish steamer, from Singapore.  
2. B. H. Thomas, German ship, from N. York.  
3. Delta, Spanish bark, from London.  
4. R. Mercedes, Spanish str., from Singapore.  
5. D. de Molina, Spanish str., from Hongkong.  
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**BANKS.**

**CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.**  
CAPITAL..... £200,000.  
RESERVE FUND..... £150,000.  
The Bank's Branch in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange business.

**RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.**  
ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2% PER ANNUM ON THE DAILY BALANCE.  
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 Months, 3% PER ANNUM.  
For 6 Months, 4% PER ANNUM.  
For 12 Months, 5% PER ANNUM.  
Hongkong, 29th July, 1879. [1911]

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**  
PAID-UP CAPITAL..... £500,000 of Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND..... £1,500,000 of Dollars.  
The Bank's Branch in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange business.

**CHARTERED MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.**  
(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER).  
The following RATES OF INTEREST ARE ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 12 Months, 5% PER ANNUM.  
For 6 Months, 4% PER ANNUM.  
For 3 Months, 3% PER ANNUM.  
Hongkong, 1st June, 1878. [1911]

**NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.**  
Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1863.  
ESTABLISHED IN CALCUTTA 29th September, 1863.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL..... £330,000.  
RESERVE FUND..... £30,000.

**HEAD OFFICE.**  
33A, THE ARCADE, LONDON, E.C.  
INCORPORATED 7th and 18th March, 1848.  
Recognised by the International Convention of 18th April, 1863.

**AGENTS AND BRANCHES AT:**  
LONDON, BOMBAY, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

**THE HONGKONG AGENCY RECEIVES FIXED DEPOSITS ON TERMS TO BE ASCERTAINED ON APPLICATION, GRANTS DRAFTS ON ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD, AND TRANSACTS EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING AND EXCHANGE BUSINESS.**  
E. G. VOULLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

**ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.**  
(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER).  
PAID-UP CAPITAL..... £1,500,000.  
RESERVE FUND..... £200,000.

**RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.**  
At 3 Months Notice, 3% per Annum.  
At 6 Months Notice, 4% per Annum.  
At 12 Months Notice, 5% per Annum.  
Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.  
GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager.

**CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).**  
NOTICE.  
POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two-thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried over.

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**NOTICES OF FIRMS.**

**THE PARTNERSHIP**—hitherto existing between the Undersigned, under the Style of NEWMAN GITTINS & Co., terminated by situation of time, on the 31st December, 1879. All accounts will be adjusted by NEWMAN & Co.  
JOHN GITTINS.  
WALTER NEWMAN.  
Foonchow, 1st January, 1880.

**WE have this Day authorized Mr. CARL VON PUSTAU to SIGN our Firm by procuration.**  
PUSTAU & Co.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1880. [1m371]

**BY effect of time the INTEREST and RESIDUARY of Mr. D. DARLING in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December, 1879.**  
BROWN & Co.  
Amoy, 16th February, 1880. [1m334]

**MR. N. C. STEVENS** is hereby authorized to SIGN our NAME by procuration at Amoy, the Power held by Mr. EWALD ceasing from this date.  
RUSSELL & Co.  
China, February 9th, 1880. [1m293]

**WE have Established ourselves as MERCHANDISE AND COMMISSION AGENTS** at this port from this date, under the Style or Firm of "HAIRIE MAHOMED & Co."  
Hongkong, 14th February, 1880. [297]

**MR. ADOLPHUS ROBERTS** has been authorized to SIGN our Firm by procuration.  
COARE, LIND & Co.  
Canton, February 6th, 1880. [276]

**TO BE LET.**  
COMMODOUS and DESIRABLE OFFICES on the Premises of J. ANNE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, 6th February, 1880. [272]

**TO BE LET (on Lease) for Build up a PIECE of GROUND**, containing about 10,000 feet, at Spring Gardens, on Island Lot No. 101, commanding a good view of the harbor.  
Apply to BRETON & WOTTON, Solicitors, 29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 6th February, 1880. [262]

**FOUR-STORY HOUSES** in HOLLYWOOD ROAD.  
A HOUSE in LYNDHURST TERRACE.  
Apply to E. R. BELLING, Hongkong, 29th December, 1879. [247]

**TO BE LET.**  
THE EDIBLE BUSINESS PREMISES IN QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, next door to Messrs. FALCONER & Co., and recently in occupation of Messrs. KIN.  
Also, with Possession about end of March next, "SEA VIEW" FOUR SIX-ROOMED HOUSES and a BUNGALOW at corner of EIGHT STREET, near the Victoria Theatre, on the site of the late Lyndhurst Theatre.  
Apply to DAVIS & Co., Hongkong, 3rd February, 1880. [257]

**TO BE LET.**  
THE CENTRAL DWELLING HOUSE, No. 1, WESTERN DOCK VILLAS, Bank Road, with Garden. Also Stable Accommodation if required.  
For Particulars, apply to LINSTEAD & Co., Hongkong, 13th February, 1880. [238]

**TO BE LET.**  
THE DESIRABLE DWELLING HOUSE, known as "THE CASTLE," at present occupied by Mr. HARWOOD.  
For Particulars, apply to LINSTEAD & Co., Hongkong, 20th January, 1880. [199]

**TO BE LET.**  
FOREIGN HOUSES, containing 6 Rooms and Out-houses, also CHINESE SHOPS and HOUSES, in the HOLLYWOOD ROAD.  
Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Hongkong, 2nd February, 1880. [214]

**TO BE LET.**  
ON Marine Lot No. 75, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.  
Apply to J. W. MEYER & Co., Hongkong, 26th July, 1879. [389]

**TO BE LET.**  
A FIRST-CLASS STONE-FLOORED GODOWN, situated upon Marine Lot 10.  
Also, THE TWO HOUSES Nos. 14 and 16, STANLEY STREET, lately in the occupation of the Temperance Hall.  
Apply to DOUGLAS LAPIRAIK & Co., Hongkong, 9th February, 1880. [41]

**TO BE LET.**  
TWO LARGE STONE-FLOORED ROOMS for Office, PEAVA CENTRAL.  
Apply to EDWARD SCHELLHASS & Co., Hongkong, 13th January, 1880. [139]

**FAIRLIE, as a whole or divided, with all the fixtures, including the Godown, and a large STONE-ROOFED GODOWN, with Water-side STAIRS.**  
Apply to DAVIS & Co., Hongkong, 7th February, 1880. [281]

**TO BE LET.**  
HOUSES, OFFICES, GODOWNS, and SHOPS.  
Apply to SHARP AND DANBY, No. 6, Queen's Road Central, Opposite to Messrs. BRETTER & SWIRE, Hongkong, 25th September, 1879. [1743]

**FOR SALE.**  
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'S WINES AND COGNAC.  
Price List on application.  
J. BLACKHEAD & Co., Hongkong, 1st November, 1879. [139]

**FOR SALE.**  
H. A. M. P. A. G. N. E. 1874.  
HEIDELBERG & Co.'S M. O. N. O. R. O. L. E.  
DEUTZ & Co., Hongkong, 2nd July, 1877. [1099]

**FOR SALE.**  
BEST GENUINE OSTRICH FEATHERS, of different sizes and colors, arranged and packed in very MODERN PRICES and suitable for Ladies' Hats.  
COWAN & Co., DADACHANJEE, Hongkong, 9th January, 1880. [123]

**AUCTIONS.**

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, THIS DAY, the 4th of March, 1880, at 11 A.M., at Warehouse, 4, Queen's Road, No. 59—  
An Invoice of First Quality RUSSIAN ROPE, containing Three and Four STRANDED ROPE, BOAT ROPE, RATTINE STUFF, MARLINE, HOUSLINE, SPUNYARN, &c., &c.  
TERMS OF SALE—As customary.  
F. RAPP, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1880. [339]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TOMORROW, the 5th March, 1880, at 2 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, an Invoice of JAPANESE PORCELAIN and LAQUEWARE: TORTOISE-SHELL WARE, SATSUMA WARE, and KANGAROO, &c., &c.  
TERMS OF SALE—As customary.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 4th March, 1880. [339]

**FURNITURE AUCTION.**  
J. ANNE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, at No. 2, Morrison Hill, the Residence of Captain Sir Charles, Brigade Major, on SATURDAY, the 6th March, at 2 o'clock P.M., the whole of the ENGLISH and CANTON-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising: CRUICKSHANK DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, CARVED WHATNOTS, MIRRORS, CHAIRS, BEDROOM SUITE, CARVED SIDE TABLES, SIDEBOARD, DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHATNOT, CHAIRS, ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, CARPETS, LAMPS, BRASS AND IRON BEDSTEADS, Mahogany BUREAU with MIRROR, Mahogany Marble-top WARDROBE, WARD, ROBE, COUCHES, FLOWER POTS, SEDAN CHAIRS, a Bath, PHEONIX, by LORRY of Canton, &c., &c., &c.  
TERMS OF SALE—As usual.  
Catalogues will be issued.  
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1880. [338]

**FURNITURE SALE.**  
J. ANNE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, at No. 1, King Buildings, Praya East, the Residence of J. A. Moore, Esq., Commissary General of Ordnance, on MONDAY, the 8th March, 1880, at 2 o'clock P.M., the VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising: CRUICKSHANK DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, CRUICKSHANK LITHOGRAPHY, MIRRORS, LAMPS, CARVED TABLES and SIDE TABLES, CURTAINS, FENDER and FINE DRESSING TABLE, CARVED SIDEBOARD, WHATNOT, ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, &c., &c., &c.  
IRON BEDSTEAD, with Spring Mattress, WARDROBE, WARD, ROBE, COUCHES, FLOWER POTS, SEDAN CHAIRS, a Bath, PHEONIX, by LORRY of Canton, &c., &c., &c.  
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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1880. [338]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on a day to be hereafter fixed in the month of April next (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale), the well-known "BRITISH HOTEL," No. 181, Queen's Road Central, with GOOD STOCK, including: BEDROOM SUITE, QUEEN'S ROPE, and BEDROOM FURNITURE, BAR and BILLIARD TABLE, &c.  
For Particulars, apply to the Proprietor, or to the Undersigned.  
F. RAPP, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 4th March, 1880. [401]

**PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.**  
TO BE SOLD AS A GOING CONCERN, by PUBLIC AUCTION, on a day to be hereafter fixed in the month of April next (unless previously disposed of by Private Contract), the well-known "BRITISH HOTEL," No. 181, Queen's Road Central, with GOOD STOCK, including: BEDROOM SUITE, QUEEN'S ROPE, and BEDROOM FURNITURE, BAR and BILLIARD TABLE, &c.  
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THE FRENCH MAIL.  
The next French mail steamer left Saigon on the 24th February, and may be expected here tomorrow.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
The P. and O. steamer *Kaiser-i-Hind*, with the next English mail, left Singapore at 6 P.M. on the 28th ult., and may be expected here on the 10th instant.

THE INDIAN MAIL.  
The steamer *Venice*, with the next Indian mail, left Singapore on the 27th February, and may be expected here on or about the 7th March.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
The P. M. steamer City of Peking, with the next American mail, left San Francisco on the 26th February, and may be expected here on or about the 8th March.

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## POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

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A MAIL WILL CLOSE  
for Amoy, Tamsui, and Taiwanfoo. — Per *Ai* to-day, the 4th instant, at 11:30 A.M.  
for Canton, Fuzhou, and Swatow. — Per *Brissane*, to-day, the 4th instant, at 1:30 A.M.  
for Amoy and Shanghai. — Per *Yangtze*, to-day, the 4th instant, at 1:30 A.M.  
for Amoy and Shanghai. — Per *Amoy*, to-day, the 4th instant, at 3:30 P.M.  
for Amoy and Maula. — Per *Emmy*, to-day, the 4th instant, at 4:30 P.M.  
for Swatow, Amoy, and Fanchow. — Per

to-day, the 4th instant, at 5 P.M.  
 for Saigon.—To-day, the 4th inst., at 5 P.M.  
 for Manila.—Per *Bismarck*, to-morrow, the  
 instant, at 3.30 P.M.  
 for Yokohama, via Kobe.—Per *Niigata-Maru*,  
 to-morrow, the 6th instant, at 5 P.M.  
 for Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per  
*Ngay*, on Saturday, the 6th inst., at 5 P.M.  
 for Bangkok.—Per *Consolation*, on Monday,  
 the 8th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.  
The British Contract Packet "THIBET"  
will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the  
17th March, with Mails to and through the  
United Kingdom and Europe, *via* Brindisi; to

Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Cey-  
 lon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.  
 —This Packet carries no mails for the  
 Straits Colonies.  
**DETAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.**  
 The French Contract Packet "LE YA," 7th of  
 March, will sail on WEDNESDAY, the 17th of  
 March, with Mails to and through the United  
 Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to Saigon,  
 Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,  
 India, Aden, Egypt, Australia, New Zealand,  
 and the East Indies.  
**ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH PACKET.**  
 The French Contract Packet "LE YA," 7th of  
 March, will arrive on WEDNESDAY, the 17th of  
 March, with Mails from the United Kingdom  
 and Europe, via Naples; from Saigon,  
 Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,  
 India, Aden, Egypt, Australia, New Zealand,  
 and the East Indies.  
**NOTICES FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT  
 MAIL.**  
 The English Mail Office of DEPARTURE  
 closes at 10 P.M., Money Order Office closes  
 at 8 P.M., Post Office closes till 8 P.M., except  
 the night box, which is always open out of

Post Office opens.  
9 A. M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all private matter and patterns ceases.  
10 A. M., Mails closed, except for Late Letters.  
10 P. M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until  
12:30 P. M., when the Post Office closes entirely.  
4:40 P. M., Late Letters may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents until time of departure.

**BY PERSONAL MAIL.—DAY BEFORE DEPARTURE.**  
10 A. M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always open, out of office hours.

**DAY OF DEPARTURE.**

**P. M., Post Office opens.**

9 A. M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.

10 A. M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.

10 P. M., Passengers may be posted with Late Fee 10 Cents until 10 P. M.

9 P. M., when the Post Office closes entirely.

40 A. M., Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 18 Cents until sunrise of departure.

**CALLATIONS AS TO SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS.**

\*—Privates in H. M. Army or Navy, Non-commissioned Officers,\* Army or Schoolmasters

1.—Superintending or First Class) or School-  
stresses may send half-centime letters to the  
Kingdom via Brindisi or via Marseilles  
at the rate of four cents (twopence) each, which  
will be paid either in Imperial or in Hong-  
kong Stamps.

2.—The same privileges apply to letters ad-  
dressed to the Privates and Non-commissioned  
officers named above.

3.—All such letters prepaid at the former rate  
of two cents (one penny) will be forwarded to or  
from the United Kingdom by private steamer  
if not by the mail packets.

4.—Private steamers leave Hongkong for  
London about every ten days, and are from six  
to seven weeks on the voyage.

5.—The letters must not exceed half an ounce.  
6.—Handkerchiefs, Jewellery, &c., can be sent, if desired, by the commanding officer.  
7.—If from a Soldier or Sailor his class and description must be stated in full on the letter, the cover of which must be signed by the Commanding Officer, with name of regiment, ship, &c., in full.  
8.—If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class and description must be stated in full on the letter, the cover of which must be signed by the Commanding Officer, with name of regiment, ship, &c., must be stated in full.  
9.—Soldiers and Sailors have no privileges with regard to books or papers, nor can these be supplied with Imperial Stamps.  
10.—But not Warrant Officers, viz.—Assistant Engineer, Gunner, Boatswain, or Carpenter.

Many boxes of letters are received at the Post  
office not sealed, that is to say, the box is  
taped with sealing wax, but there is no im-  
pression of a seal.

The attention of boxholders is called to the  
necessity of carefully sealing such boxes with  
some recognizable seal, and of sending a chit-  
ten or receipt with them. The omission of  
either of these latter precautions leaves a doubt as to whe-  
ther the contents of the box ever reached the  
Post Office; the omission of the former, as to  
whether part of them might not have been ab-  
sented for the sake of the Postage Stamps.

LETTERS FOR THE UNITED STATES BY SAILING  
SHIPS

When it is desired to forward letters to the United States by a sailing-ship which is not noted as carrying a mail, it is only necessary to put at the letters in the ordinary way, marked with the name of the ship, and prepaid 8 cents per letter, and to have the Office of the Post Office at the place of obtaining notice of departure to dispatch the correspondence. It is requested that the letters be posted if possible at least one day before the date fixed for sailing.

Correspondence for the West Indies (except those belonging to the Porto-Rico Union, the Guianas and Hayti), for Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent via San Francisco.

A Pillar Box has been established at the West  
 Point Police Station (opposite the Sailors' Home), and another at the South front of the  
 Merchant Department.

The hours of clearance are as follows:

	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
West Point	10.00	2.00	4.15
Merchant Department	10.15	2.15	4.00

Letters arrive at the Post Office 10.30-11.30-1.45  
 Correspondence of all kinds posted in either  
 of the pillar boxes for clearance on mail day will  
 be in time for the Homeward Mail.

All correspondence for Hongkong will be de-  
 livered the same day.

Residents who keep a postage account with

is Office may post local correspondence in these boxes without stamps, provided the sender's name or recognized device appears on each article.

Local correspondence means that for Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China.

\* Mails closing at this hour will be kept open till Messenger arrives from the Pillar Boxes.



